



UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT INFORMATION FOR RELEASE TO MEDIA



SUBJECT: University of Florida Police
Department Re-accreditation
CR# Assessment
DATE OF INCIDENT: April 27-28, 2021
DATE OF RELEASE: March 26, 2021

ACCREDITATION ASSESSMENT TEAM INVITES PUBLIC COMMENT

A team of assessors from the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA) will examine all aspects of the University of Florida Police Department's policies and procedures, management, operations, and support services. UFPD has to comply with approximately 98 standards in order to receive accredited status. Many of the standards are critical to life, health and safety issues.

As part of the assessment, agency members and the general public are invited to offer comments to the assessment team. A copy of the standards manual is available through UFPD's Records Division in Gainesville at (352) 392-6651 or email ufpdrecords@admin.ufl.edu.

For more information regarding CFA or for persons wishing to offer written comments about the agency's ability to meet the standards of accreditation, please write:
CFA, P.O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, Florida 32302, or email to flaccreditation@fdle.state.fl.us.

As part of the assessment, agency personnel and members of the community are invited to offer comments at a telephonic public commentary session by calling (352) 273-3335 on Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at between the hours of 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM.

The assessment team is composed of law enforcement practitioners from similar agencies. The assessors will review written materials; interview individuals; and visit offices and other areas where compliance can be witnessed.

Once the Commission's assessors complete their review of the agency, they report back to the full Commission, which will then determine if the agency is to receive accredited status. UFPD's accreditation is valid for 3 years. Verification by the team that UFPD meets the Commission's standards is part of a voluntary process to gain or maintain accreditation--a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence.

For questions regarding information contained in this release, please contact Major Brad Barber at (352) 273-3301, or after hours at (352) 392-1111 [# UFPD (#8373)]. Major Barber may also be reached via e-mail at wbarber@ufl.edu, or visit the University of Florida Police Department webpage at <http://www.police.ufl.edu/>

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